



MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP, INC.

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NOW OPEN: HARU AKI CAFÉ

[Haru Aki Café](#) opened its doors on December 6 to the delight of Mansfield residents. Haru Aki Café serves authentic Japanese street fare in a modern restaurant with traditional elements.

Haru Aki is a labor of love and the first joint venture of UConn grads Ronald Liu, Jessica Chiep, and Thomas Wang. The idea to open a café together began as Storrs Center started to transform the

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The crew at Haru Aki Café is ready to welcome you!
(L-R) Collin Fernandes, Vennada Lour, Dillon Sparks, Jess Chiep, and Ron Liu

NOW OPEN: UConn HEALTH CENTER

On Monday, December 16, the [UConn Health Center](#) opened its new offices in Storrs Center. Located in One Royce Circle, the Health Center offers many different services, with more planned for 2014.

[Dr. Pamela Moore](#), an established family medicine practitioner in Mansfield, will continue serving the community as a UConn faculty member, anchoring the Health Center's primary care services in Storrs.

Other specialties offered at UConn Health Medical Services in Storrs will include occupational medicine, with Drs. [Mark Buchanan](#) and [Robert Fitzpatrick](#); cardiology, with [Dr. Agnes Kim](#); orthopaedics and sports medicine, with Drs. [Cory Edgar](#) and [Matthew Hall](#); general surgery, with [Dr. Yu Liang](#), and plastic surgery, with [Dr. Amir Nasir](#). Patients also will be able to get x-rays and blood work done in the new location.

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downtown. The three friends thought about their experience at UConn and mused, "When we were at school here, we wished there was a... (fill in the blank)." The answer came easily to them – a fusion street food Asian place made with authentic and quality ingredients. Thus, the Haru Aki Café was born.

The menu boasts hand crafted sashimi salads, house-made curry dumplings, gyū-don, teppanyaki, and okonomiyaki dishes. Haru Aki also features sushi and build-your-own boba tea. The café is open seven days a week. Haru Aki will engage with the local community as leaders in cultural education, hosting specific workshops that will range from the history of dumpling making, mochi tasting, the origins and art of calligraphy, and anime screenings, just to name a few.



Haru Aki Café is located at One Royce Circle, Suite 105. Visit haruakicafe.com or their [facebook page](#) for more information, including hours and menu. ♦

UConn Health Center Now Open (continued from page 1)

Additional clinical services will become available in 2014:

- UConn Health Urgent Care will open in mid-January, staffed seven days a week by physicians, physician assistants and nurse practitioners trained in family medicine or board certified in emergency medicine.
- UConn Health Dental Services, a dental suite with five treatment rooms offering general dentistry services, will be open in the spring.
- Dermatology, psychiatry, and obstetrics and gynecology services will be available later in 2014.

Those interested in booking appointments in Storrs should call 860-487-9200.



Peter Morenus/UConn Photo

Follow the [UConn Health Center](#) on [facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#). ♦

WE'RE MOVING!

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership is moving its offices to the new Nash-Zimmer Transportation Center in January. The Partnership will announce the date of the move once it is finalized. The Partnership's phone number, email address, and Post Office box number will remain the same, while its physical address will be 23 Royce Circle. We'll see you downtown! ♦



FIRST WINTER WELCOME A SUCCESS!

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership and Storrs Center master developer LeylandAlliance hosted "Winter Welcome" on Saturday, December 14 in Storrs Center.

The event featured roaming performances by the [Mansfield Middle School](#) Chamber Singers and a brass ensemble from UConn's [Community School of the Arts](#). Storrs Center businesses offered holiday treats such as hot chocolate and cookies, and many offered sales and specials for holiday shoppers.

The highlight of the afternoon was the arrival of Santa Claus aboard a [Mountain Dairy](#) milk truck. The [UConn Co-op Bookstore at Storrs Center](#) played host to Santa and had "reindeer food" and Mt. Dairy milk for young visitors. The Co-op also welcomed Linda Robinson and her book-loving dogs, Dante and Virgil, who read stories with friends.

Thank you to all who participated in the first Winter Welcome! ♦



Clockwise from top left: Santa arrives at the UConn Co-op Bookstore aboard the Mt. Dairy milk truck; Mansfield Middle School Chamber Singers perform at Geno's Grille; Linda Robinson reads to Dante, Virgil, and their new friends; UConn's Community School of the Arts' brass ensemble performs at Husky Pizza

For more photos, please visit facebook.com/MansfieldDowntownPartnership.



STORRS CENTER: HOLIDAY HOURS

Many of the businesses in [Storrs Center](#) will be operating under alternative hours during the holidays. Please be sure to check each business's website or facebook page for hours, news, and updates:

Dog Lane Café

Open:

Monday – Thursday: 7.00 AM – 10.00 PM

Friday: 7.00 am – 11.00 PM*

Saturday: 8.00 am – 11.00 PM*

Sunday: 8.00 am – 10.00 PM

*kitchen closes at 10.00 PM

January 1: Open 8.00 AM with
breakfast served until noon

Closed:

December 23 at 7.00 PM

December 24 at 4.00 PM

December 25

[facebook](#)

The Flower Pot

Open:

Dec 23: 9.00 AM – 6.00 PM

Dec 24: 9.00 AM – 4.00 PM

Dec 27: 10.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Dec 28: 10.00 AM – 3.00 PM

Dec 30 and 31: 10.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Closed:

Dec 25, 26, and 29

January 1 – 5*

*We will be available via phone or internet, but the doors to the shop will be shut for some renovations.

[facebook](#)

Froyoworld

Open every day: Noon – 10.00 PM

Closed from December 24 until January 2

[facebook](#)

Haru Aki Café

Open:

Sunday – Thursday: Noon – 8.00 PM

Friday and Saturday: 11.00 AM – 9.00 PM

Closing at 3.00 PM on Sunday, December 22

Closed:

December 23 until December 26

January 1

[facebook](#)

Horizon Travel

Open:

Monday – Friday: 10.00 AM – 6.00 PM

Saturday: 10.00 AM – 2.00 PM

December 24: 10.00 AM – 1.00 PM

December 31: 10.00 AM – 1.00 PM

Closed:

December 25 and January 1

[facebook](#)

Husky Pizza

Open every day: 11.00 AM – 11.00 PM

Closed:

December 25

[facebook](#)

Insomnia Cookies

Open every day from 12.00 PM – 1.00 AM

Delivery until 3.00 AM

Closed:

December 24 and 25

Moe's Southwest Grill

Open:

Monday – Saturday: 11.00 AM – 9.00 PM

Sunday: 11.00 AM – 8.00 PM

December 24: 11.00 AM – 4.00 PM

December 31: 11.00 AM – 8.00 PM

Closed:

December 25 and January 1

[facebook](#)

Mooyah

Open:

Monday – Saturday: 11.00 AM – 9.00 PM

Sunday: 11.00 AM – 8.00 PM

December 24: 11.00 AM – 4.00 PM

December 31: 11.00 AM – 8.00 PM

Closed:

December 25 and January 1

[facebook](#)

The Oaks on the Square Leasing Office

Open:

Monday – Friday: 9.00 AM – 6.00 PM

Saturday: 10.00 AM – 2.00 PM

Closed:

December 24 and 25 and January 1 [facebook](#)

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UPCOMING DOWNTOWN EVENTS

Saturday, December 21

Reading and book signing by picture book author Robert Sullivan with his new book, *A Child's New England Christmas*, 2 PM, [UConn Co-op Bookstore at Storrs Center](#); Free and open to the public

Saturday, December 21

[Family Fun Night](#), 4.30 - 7.30 PM, Free for Members; Non-members pay daily fee,
[Mansfield Community Center](#)

Friday, January 3

[Family Fun Night](#), 6.30 - 9.30 PM, Free for Members; Non-members pay daily fee,
[Mansfield Community Center](#)

Saturday, January 18

Free Mansfield Day, 4.30 - 7.30 PM, Free for Mansfield residents; Proof of residency may be required,
[Mansfield Community Center](#)

Saturday, January 18

[Family Fun Night](#), 4.30 - 7.30 PM, Free for Members; Non-members pay daily fee,
[Mansfield Community Center](#)

Save the Dates!

Winter Fun Week 2014: February 1 - February 9, 2014

Visit the Mansfield Downtown Partnership's website for information after the New Year.

STORRS CENTER: HOLIDAY HOURS (continued from page 4)

[oneTribe](#)

Open:

Tuesday – Friday: 12.00 PM – 7.00 PM

Saturday: 10.00 AM – 7.00 PM

Sunday: 12.00 PM – 7.00 PM

December 24: 10.00 AM – 2.00 PM

[facebook](#)

[Storrs Automotive](#)

Open: Monday – Friday: 8.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Closed from December 25 – January 1

[Subway](#)

Open:

Monday – Friday: 7.00 AM – 2.00 AM

Saturday: 8.00 AM – 2.00 AM

Sunday: 9.00 AM – 2.00 AM

December 24: 8.00 AM – 5.00 PM

December 26: 8.00 AM – 12.00 AM

January 1: 11.00 AM – 12.00 AM

Closed December 25

[facebook](#)

[Sweet Emotions](#)

Open:

Monday – Saturday: 11.00 AM – 8.00 PM

Sunday: Noon – 6.00 PM

Closed:

December 25, December 31, and January 1

May close early December 24

[facebook](#)

[UConn Co-op Bookstore at Storrs Center](#)

Open every day 10.00 AM – 9.00 PM

December 24: Closing at 5.00 PM

Closed December 25 and January 1

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